

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.
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THE GREAT SUN

Not Sunday, But the First Day
The Greatest.

F. J. Lee

Sunday is the day named in honor to the sun. Some people worship the sun as a god of power. It is true that the sun can do great things, he can cast a gloom upon the people by refusing to smile upon them with his glorious days; he can also dispel gloom to a great extent by shining upon the earth, making every corner bright and warming up the earth till vegetation breaks forth to bless humanity.

While the sun is great, we as Christians do not think of bowing to it and offering homage as the heathen do, because our mind and faith reaches beyond the sun to the great Creator of the universe which includes worlds and suns, many. God has caused the sun to smile upon us, therefore we do not worship the sun, but the Son of righteousness, of whom God the Father said, "hear ye Him."

Some say we are honoring the sun god because of our keeping Sunday as a Sabbath or rest day. It isn't so much Sunday that we are keeping, but it is the "first day of the week."

The Jews were required to wave a handful of the first fruits before the Lord at harvest time, this was to be done on the next day after the Saturday Sabbath, the first day of the week, thus pointing to another day in which Jesus should come forth from the tomb, so we yet keep this day, not in honor of the sun which rises and warms the earth, but in honor to the Son who arose on the first day of the week, and is causing flowers as it were to spring forth in our lives.

There isn't any wonder that the disciples ever after that notable event met together on the first day of the week.

Saturn A Beautiful Planet

Saturn is said to be the most beautiful of all the planets. He is looked upon as one of the elder and principal deities, the son of Coelus and Terra (Heaven and Earth). He was of such importance that the seventh day was named for him. When you speak of "Saturday" it calls your mind to the deity of which many people are worshippers.

Then we have those who hate Sunday, the first day and are sticklers for the seventh day Sabbath any thing on us who have Sunday for our Sabbath.

I say again that we should honor the first day Sunday; not for its name, but because the first day was magnified by the ancients as they looked forward to the time that the Lord of the Sabbath would break forth from the prison and lead with Him the faithful of the old dispensation, coming back through the dark tomb thus conquering death, hell and the grave, thereby establishing a new era known as the gospel dispensation.

Sunday is the Christians' Sabbath, Saturday is the Jewish and seventh day Advent Sabbath.

I am sure that we should have a Sabbath of one seventh of time, our physical constitution demands it. Sabbath means rest and God has so ordained that we should have rest for our bodies.

The Jewish Sabbath stood out as a monument of Israel's deliverance from bondage. The

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NEGLECTING SOUL- SAVING.

In the Arizona desert there is a well fifty-five miles from any other water. Within fifteen or twenty miles of it, bones lie scattered all around of men and their horses, that might have reached it had it been possible to know, on that featureless plain, where to find it. As close as five miles stands two wagons, each with skeletons of its party huddled around it. And at the very gateway of the enclosure a prospector was found one morning, lost and dead. Finally an owner erected a light house. He planted a tall cottonwood pole and strung a lantern upon it; and that has been kept always lighted. We shiver to think that former owners could have been willing to neglect this—to rescue perishing fellow-men by so plain a means. But are you and I doing worse than that? Are we leaving our fellows in a more dreadful danger? Neglecting to hold out to them the light of salvation.—Selected.

REPORT OF THE PERRY DISTRICT CONVENTION

Held At Carbur, Fla., May 16-17,
With J. A. Self and Band
In Charge.

Saturday 10:30 a. m. Sermon by G. W. Peoples, subject, Christian Watchfulness.

Sermon by J. A. Self, referring to Nehemiah 6th chapter.

At 3:00 p. m. sermon by B. C. Robinson, subject, The Importance of Prayer.

Remarks by J. A. Self.

Sunday 10:30 Address by G. W. Peoples, subject, The Necessity of Sunday School.

At 11:00 a. m. Sermon by J. A. Self from the chart.

3:00 p. m. Sunday school as usual, short talks on Sunday school by different ones.

7:35 Sermon by J. A. Self on the chart.

Attendance and interest good.—D. H. Brown, Clerk and Treasurer.

REVIVAL IN MISSOURI— 46 RECEIVE HOLY GHOST

GRANITEVILLE, Mo.—Bro. John H. Jones and the writer began a meeting in Graniteville, Feb. 10, and continued five weeks, resulting in 20 conversions, 21 sanctified, 22 baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, 13 baptized in water and 12 added to the church.

There was a full report printed in the Evangel but the meeting did not stop when Brother Jones and I went away.

Up to date there are 39 conversions, about 50 sanctified and 46 baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire, and the end is not yet.—Wilmer Artis.

A SHEPHERD NEEDED

MATTHEWS, Ga.—We held a 13-days' meeting at this place with very good success. Several were blessed and the church was drawn closer together in love and unity.

Dear ones let's press on to the mark of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus. Pray that the Lord will send a shepherd to this place to lead the flock.—Buna Arrington, Clerk.

Looking Unto The Future

M. S. Lemons

While sitting neath the branches of a spreading oak,
I remembered the days of my youth,
Before the burdens and cares and heartaches of life—
Before I weighed man in the balance with truth.
When life had a glimmer of crimson and gold,
When a dream of the days were so sweet,
Before I had struggled with the duties of life,
Or the thorns had pierced in my feet.

I now can proclaim with the sages of time—
With the Mariner's out on life's sea,
That the storm has been rife and my sails been rent,
With the storms that have swept over me.
Tho my mast still stands, and my anchor is sure,
My vessel still 'pelled by the oar,
The fierce briny waves have dashed o'er my bark,
Yet I deem I am nearing the shore.

Yonder in the distant stands a great light-house,
And its gleamings fall on the dark sea,
While the cold dark waves are tossing my bark,
Yet the light is shining on me.
All I can do is "sit still in the boat",
And look towards the once far off shore,
And wait till the dangerous storms are all past,
And the struggles of life are all o'er.

It is better that the mariner out on life's sea,
Be encountered by the winds and the wave,
For they never could know what life's troubles were,
Had they not needed a friend who could save;
Often we have felt that the friends at our side,
Could lighten our burdens a degree,
But none can feel the hammer's dull blow,
Like the man who died on the tree.

Little by little's we are nearing the time,
When the past blessings cannot suffice,
For the Christian who one time was happy and free,
Like his Master, must pay the great price;
Just a very few lingered when He hung on the cross,
Not many of His friends but His foes,
Were there when He died, when He languished and cried,
And none but the suffering ones know.

I will most gladly glory tho my burdens be great,
If my heart has been honest and pure,
For among all the martyrs, and heroes of life,
There are none that could have been truer:
When the millions are bringing their trophies to Christ,
And receiving the crown they have won,
I'm sure I'll be glad for a place in that throng,
When my work here for my Jesus is done.

Home Coming Day Celebrated At Crane Eater, Georgia, June 14.

This was a long to be remembered day at Crane Eater. This special event had been advertised for several days ahead and the saints from all over the district were present with their faces shining, and their hearts aglow with the love of God.

Brother Davis, the pastor, and Brother Nix had everything arranged to make the day a success. These young preachers were on fire for God and were at the front of the battle to give orders. The Lord blessed them and the saints abroad and surely our many friends and visitors returned home feeling that the day had been well spent.

This was also orphanage day and the matron of the Boy's Home, several orphans with a number of friends from Cleveland arrived at Calhoun Saturday afternoon, at the home of Brother Jackson. The good sisters had prepared a nice supper which was spread on the ground under the shade trees and this was enjoyed by the friends from Cleveland.

Saturday night we went to the church at Calhoun, Brother Lemons was holding a revival there but gave this service for the orphanage work.

Sunday morning we went to Crane Eater; a brush arbor had been built for the occasion and when we arrived we found a large crowd had gathered.

The service opened with singing, prayers and praises to God. After which the orphanage program began. Several songs by the children; a message was

given by Sister Lydia Munn of Pratt City, Ala., on the orphanage work in general; a talk by the matron; a few remarks by Brother Lemons and a collection was taken amounting to about \$44.00 from the district.

At noon, dinner on the ground which was enjoyed by all present. For the afternoon service Brother Boehmer was on program to bring the message but did not get to finish his sermon on account of the rain. Sister Poarch and the other good sisters had been busy soliciting money and clothing for the orphans so we were made to rejoice over the liberal offerings. No doubt the church at this place will take on new life after this good day. We returned to our homes with glad hearts, looking forward to the next annual Home Coming Day at Crane Eater in 1926.—Mrs. Nora Chambers.

REVIVAL IN TEXAS

ELECTRA, Texas.—We are having a good meeting at this place with Brother R. P. Johnson, Brother Wood and Brother Whitworth, the pastor of the Assemblies of God. We are having large crowds with good interest. We ask your prayers in behalf of the meeting. Several have been saved and sanctified and four have received the Holy Ghost.

I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and desire the prayers of all that I may stand true to God.—Mollie L. Wilson.

WINNING THE YOUNG FOR CHRIST

A stream came down the mountain side from the snow on top. Gaily it leaped and ran upon its course, until it neared the valley below at a place where the choice of two ways lay before it; one by a larger stream into the river that was flowing to the sea; and the other over a chasm that led nowhere except down the boulders of rock and rubble. A large stone lay across the path of this little stream, which checked its course for a moment. Then over the chasm it went, and was lost in the abyss below. If only some hand had removed the stone, the stream would have joined the river and gained the ocean. Many a young life is like that stream. If only some strong, wise hand would remove the temptation that hinders at the critical time, the river of usefulness and happiness would be reached, and the ocean of God's purpose gained.—Selected.

INTERESTED IN HOME MISSION

BENTREE, W. Va.—I praise the Lord because I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise His name! His grace is sufficient to keep us no matter where we live if we will only trust Him, and that I'm trying to do.

I was taken ill with a spell of acute indigestion and the only doctor I needed was Jesus; He healed me. Praise His name!

I have just come to the understanding of what home mission means. I had never paid a dollar for home mission as I had never thought that I was able but I thank the Lord that He has opened my eyes to what home mission really means. I gave the Evangel to an old man the other day and he read about some miracles that God had performed somewhere and he asked me why the Lord didn't do that in West Virginia. The Lord opened my eyes.

The great work was going on at other places, but had not as yet reached here in our neighborhood, and probably I was partly to blame. I hadn't helped to support some minister to bring him here. I mean to pay \$1.00 next home mission day and if possible keep it up, for souls are precious, and I feel that the time is short and we must work while it is yet day. Please pray for me and my family.—Clara Rouwsey.

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS YOUNG MAN?

Lyman Valles, son of T. C. Valles, ran away from his home at Humboldt, Tennessee, November 15, 1924, and has never been seen or heard from by his parents since. Lyman is now 18 years old, has large blue eyes, dark hair, weight about 130 pounds, has a scar on his right cheek. Can be identified by a very broad tooth in front, the same having taken the place of the two front teeth. Has thick lips, and holds his mouth open a great deal.

Any information that will lead to his present location, or of his condition of health, will be greatly appreciated by his sorrowful parents who miss their dear boy. Notify Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Valles, Humboldt, Tenn., Route No. 9.

Kentucky Is Coming To the Front for the Church of God.

The Kentucky State Assembly of the Churches of God for this year was held at Ravenna, Ky., May 14-17.

The Assembly opened Thursday night with songs and prayer, followed by Scripture reading from Romans 12, by G. A. Fore, our State Overseer.

Welcome address by our pastor, J. A. Muncy, which was responded to by Brother G. W. Gamball. Friday morning Bro. L. G. Rouse filled the place of an absent speaker on the subject, "Walking with God", using for a text 1 Thess. 4:1. To walk worthy of the vocation God has given us is to keep the unity of the Spirit until we all come to a perfect man. By so doing the sick will be healed and the lame made to walk. This is walking with God.

Brother J. H. Ingram of Newport, Ky., whose work is in Ohio, followed, speaking on the subject, "Following", text, Luke 9:5-7. To follow Jesus one must forsake all other guides. There is much suffering to those who will truly follow Jesus, but think only of the glory at the end of the race.

Friday afternoon the Lord blessed in the devotional exercises. Brother L. A. Murphy brought the message from the subject, "Spiritual minded", using a portion of the 8th chapter of Romans. To be spiritual minded we must forsake the ways of the carnal mind.

Friday night the Lord blessed in the healing service as Bro. Rouse prayed for the sick, and Brother Starling Smith brought a soul stirring message from the subject, "God's ways against man's ways of treating the sick." The speaker admonished the large congregation to get their prescriptions from the right source taking himself for an example of the healed.

Saturday morning the first subject for discussion was, "What a Church Is." The speaker being absent Brother F. J. Lee, General Overseer, filled the place, using 1 Tim. 3d chapter, for a lesson. He showed that right officers and leaders go a long ways toward making the church what she ought to be. Paul wasted the Church of God by persecutions, but we as members waste the church by failing to do our duty to her; for an example in failing to pay our tithes. We give preachers as excuse for failing to do our duty, therefore making wasters.

Saturday afternoon, Brother J. A. Muncy brought the message from the subject, "An unfaithful church in danger of extinction" using Isa. 5:1-8 in connection with Rev. 2:1-5.

The church that renders heart service is the faithful church. When the church loses its first love it is affected with spiritual heart trouble. A person who has heart trouble is in danger of sudden death or extinction, so is an unfaithful church. God is not pleased with the unfaithfulness of any church.

Brother R. H. Bell followed with the subject, "The fidelity of the ministry." Eph. 4:1-4 was read and the speaker showed many important features of the children of God working where He had called and placed them, especially the ministry of God. If God has called you (Continued on Page 2)

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THE CHURCH OF GOD AT EL-DORADO, ILL. GIVES THEIR PASTOR A SURPRISE ON HIS BIRTHDAY.

Thursday, June 4, was a typical Middle State summer day; bright, clear and rather warm; the mercury up in the nineties somewhere. Yours truly, was enjoying the porch swing on the porch, which is almost completely overshadowed by two large maple trees. After about three hours of hard study searching and digging into God's grainery (the Bible) trying to find something to feed the sheep, when one of our friends, Henry Curry, arrived in his car and invited us to take a ride.

Now, we know that Henry likes us and while he hasn't got the blessing and the Blessor, he enjoys the good straight gospel. But right at this particular time we were indisposed and told Henry that it was too warm, but he insisted and finally we were off. Well, we had some tire trouble and run out of gas, but finally returned home about 6:30 p. m., and when we were where we couldn't see the swing for the people.

We wondered what could be taking place, no services had been announced; we had heard of no event to warrant such a gathering, but as we drew nearer we discovered a great long table set in the yard, just groaning under the weight of good things to eat. My, my! chicken had been ordered for the ministry; three story cakes and stacks of pies, and other things too numerous to mention. How our hearts glowed with gratitude as we beheld about two hundred of our blessed good brethren and sisters and friends assembled to greet us and show their appreciation of our being in their midst as their pastor.

As many as could be seated were called to the table, and while all stood Brother C. A. Caraway, our Sunday school superintendent, called on your humble servant to offer thanks, which he did with a heart full of gratitude and thanksgiving, after which we did justice to the good things to eat (which was washed down with good clear water or ice tea.) I am sure my dear Brother T. S. Payne would liked to have been here. After the supper, ten gallons of ice cream was opened, which was furnished by the Church of God Sunday school, which was enjoyed by all. May God bless the dear saints at Eldorado. It surely was a season of refreshing even to the inner man.—I. H. Marks, Pastor.

P. S.—I am forty-seven years young.

I AM STILL IN THE BOAT

BOGUE, N. C.—I want to praise the Lord for holiness and the Church of God. I read Bro. Scoggin's article in the Evangel on Loyalty and thank God for the piece. I want to be loyal to the church. We have had a hard time for the past two years but I thank God I am still in the boat and there are a few of us standing true.

I am glad God has promised never to leave or forsake us. I thank God for the little Evangel

THE GREAT SUN

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Christian Sabbath stands out as a monument of Jesus' deliverance from the tomb.

Jesus said that He was Lord of the Sabbath, signifying that He had a right to change it as He pleased, also to break any part of His own law if He chose to do so. We see by several of His acts that He didn't keep the law of the Sabbath as rigidly as the Jews did. He believed in taking the ox out of the ditch if it had fallen in. He believed in going to the wheat field for something to eat if He actually was in need of food. I am persuaded that if He had brought some food along with Him He never would have gathered and thrashed the grain on the Sabbath, but He was hungry, therefore made it lawful to gather grain on the Sabbath to do good on the Sabbath.

The Christians' Sabbath should be observed. Should we go to the store and buy food on Sunday? No sir, unless by some unavoidable circumstance you have no food for Sunday. Some Church of God folks are very unconcerned about the Christian Sabbath they open their stores and sell on Sunday and try to get by, saying, "I keep every day holy." I am doubting their keeping any of them holy. Some of these fellows who insist in selling on Sunday, doubtless are stocked up on tobacco and bottle dopes.

Some people think they must work in the shops and mills on Sunday. This isn't so. It is the way you begin. When I once worked at public works I never was called on to work on Sunday, the parties knew that my custom was to go to church and Sunday school. I just simply would not have worked on Sunday. I would have surrendered my job first.

I well remember, and so do some of you, how the good old-time Methodist and Baptist had their work done up on Saturday and would not allow anything more done on Sunday than just what they could make out with. I remember a good old father and mother of a certain family who one Sunday went to church, but while they were away their boy, who was about fifteen years of age attached a cow bell to himself and ran around the house bellowing as though he was a cow, his father found it out and gave him a sound whipping, he would whip awhile then say, "now ding a ling, ding a ling a boo on the Sabbath."

I am sure if we would pin down a little closer on some of our dear ones who insist on "ding a ling a boo" (breaking the Sabbath) they would rise up and take notice.

Now just think about some preachers who are supposed to be examples to the flock repeatedly breaking the Sabbath, they are not worthy of the name preacher. We should hold up a high standard of Christianity. We claim a higher standard of religion than any class of people on earth, but the old-time Methodist put some of us to shame. Quit your worldliness and go to church, then your services will be in demand as a minister.

Some try to make it appear that the Church of God doesn't pay much attention to Sunday or Sabbath breaking, but you are mistaken about this.

which brings such good soul food to my home each week. Pray for God to open the way for us to have a good meeting here soon.—Cora Russell.

REVIVAL AT DAYTONA

DAYTONA, Fla.—I want to thank and praise God for what He has done for us in Daytona. Fla. He saved and sanctified three and five received the Holy Ghost. Many came in from other bodies and took their stand for the Church of God and 13 were added to the Church of God. Praise God forever. The church was set in order and the Lord's supper was administered and the saints washed each others' feet. We had our Overseer, Brother Lafleur with us. Pray for us here that we can do something for the Lord and stay humble at the foot of the cross.—Laura Brantley.

REPORT OF KENTUCKY STATE ASSEMBLY

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brethren to the ministry, it is not to dig coal, farm or do business.

Saturday night, Brother Lee spoke on the subject, "The characteristics of divine revelations" using Peter 1:18-21. Many Scriptures and figures were used to show how God had revealed Himself to His children in times past and how He is revealing Himself to us to-day.

Sunday morning, Brother Lee brought the message again from the subject, "The Day in Which We Live," using Joel 1, for a lesson, in connection with Luke 21:36. As John the Baptist came as forerunner of Jesus, all great things have a forerunner. The day in which we live many things are being fulfilled in a light way, such as earthquakes, wars and rumors of wars, pestilences, etc. But these are only the beginning of the great and terrible days that are just ahead. Let us watch and pray that we may be able to escape all these things that shall come to pass.

In the afternoon service, Bro. Jim Wylie spoke, subject, "A Church of Power." To be a church of power there must be unity and oneness of mind.

Brother Willis Carden followed on the subject, "The Need of the Field." The field is in great need. There is a work for every child of God to do. I cannot do your work neither can you do mine. There is a work pronounced on all that are at ease in Zion.

Sister Nora Miller also gave us a good talk on prayer and encouraged the children of God to pray more.

Sunday night Brother Rouse conducted another healing service and several were healed. Brother Lee preached, using a subject of his own choice. The text was Psalms 4:4. The Lord blessed as he explained the old subject of "Holiness unto the Lord." To the large crowd that banked around the house and crowded the street after the building was packed to the limit. The meeting closed with hand shakes and good-byes.

Brother G. A. Fore, our State Overseer, was present and conducted the Assembly. There was a good attendance from the State and we feel that many went away inspired to do a greater work for the Lord than ever before.

The State of Kentucky is coming to the front for the Church of God, for it seems that the people have a mind to work.—Hattie Tipton, Clerk.

REVIVAL AT FLAT CREEK

FLAT CREEK, Ala.—Brother T. A. Sears has just closed a wonderful meeting here. Several received the Holy Ghost, and the Lord blessed Brother Sears in giving out the message with much power. The saints here will be glad for him to return as soon as he can.

I thank God for saving, sanctifying, and filling me with the Holy Ghost two years ago. The way is growing brighter every day, praise God forever! I am not one bit tired of this holy way, but love it better and better the further I go.

I certainly do enjoy reading the little Evangel. I was a subscriber long before I was saved and it has been a welcome visitor to my home ever since. It is company to me to read the good testimonies from the saints. I praise God because He has given us a pastor, Brother Jenkins, who can preach the Word. He is just a boy but the Lord is blessing him. All who read this please pray that God will have His way with us here.—Drucilla Danzey.

MOUNTAIN REST, S. C.—I am praising God for the love I have for this wonderful salvation and for the love I have for the dear old Church of God. I thank God for the Evangel, it is food to my soul. As I read of the marvelous cases of healing, it makes me want to trust the Lord more for the healing of my body. By the help and grace of God, I mean to trust Him more. I desire the prayers of all who read this that I may have a closer walk with God and that my body may be healed. I don't feel well in my body and also have catarrh of the head, which is getting worse. Don't forget to pray for me.—Gladys Winchester.

NOTICES

The State Camp meeting to convene at Thurber, Texas, August 6-16 is the first attempt the Church of God has ever made to hold a State Camp meeting in the State of Texas, and we want every bishop, deacon, evangelist and every lay member to be present if possible. We expect to have plenty of good music. Come and bring your violins, guitars, mandolins, banjos and any other musical instrument that you may have.

The ministers of Texas will come expecting to help in the preaching. We hope to have some help from Headquarters. Bring your bedding and we will find a place to spread it. Don't wait until the last day to make your arrangements but begin now to prepare to spend the entire ten days.

If you want to learn, come; if you are seeking a closer walk with God, come; if you are cold, come; if you are a sinner, come; if you have the victory, come. Write to the following parties for information about accommodations: M. E. Drake, 800 Foch St., Ranger, Texas; Jack Woodall, Thurber, Texas. Write as soon as possible so they will have time to make arrangements and don't forget that we are expecting the greatest camp meeting of the year.—R. P. Johnson, Overseer of Texas, Ladonia, Texas.

To the Churches of the Grenada District, Miss. The Grenada District convention will convene at Pigma Springs Church near Eupora, Miss., July 29-Aug. 2, inclusive. All ministers and clerks will be expected to be there. We are looking forward to a great feast. E. L. Culpepper, State Overseer, will be in charge. Brother G. C. Ray will meet any one at Eupora, Miss., who will write him at this address.—R. E. Blackwood, District Overseer.

The Church of God at Columbia, S. C., would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: Sarah Harrit, Odel Stanley, M. A. Parker, Maggie Parker, Gem Smith, Addison Carpenter, Harvey Stanley, Annie Freeman. Address D. J. Gande, or O. H. Tollerson, 857 Zig Zag St., Columbia, S. C.

STATE CONVENTION AT HAYNES, ARK., AUG. 15

HAYNES, Ark.—As I have never written to the Evangel before, I want to send a note of praise to God this morning for saving and sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost, also because I feel the joy bells ringing in my soul this morning. I also want to praise God for His wonderful healing power, because He has healed my body and also members of my family many times. All praises be to His holy name. Also I want to thank God for the way He has been blessing here in Haynes, Ark.

On Wednesday, April 29, Bro. John McAnullar and Brother Jesse Dannerhewer began a revival and God began to work from the very beginning. The result of this meeting was as follows:

12 saved, eight sanctified, 4 received the Holy Ghost, several reclaimed and 5 were added to the Church of God and eternity alone will reveal how much good was accomplished.

The work here is progressing very nicely and the church is building up and many hungry souls are looking this way. We are expecting many more additions before the close of this Assembly year. We expect to have our State Assembly at this place beginning about August 15. If anyone wishes to be in a good service, begin now to make preparations to attend. Watch for the report and date in the Evangel. Pray much for us. Yours for lost souls.—Mrs. J. M. Viney, wife of Overseer of Ark.

REQUEST

COFFEYVILLE, Miss.—I want to ask the saints to pray for myself and family that God will rebuke the enemy from our home and help us to be overcomers. Pray also for my little boy to be healed of a stomach trouble and a hurting in his side. I want to add that the dear little Evangel that comes to our home each week is a great "LIGHT" and blessing. We can't do without the paper.—Mrs. Clara Arnold.

GASTONIA GONE OVER THE TOP — NEW CHURCH BUILDING.

GASTONIA, N. C.—I feel like writing a word or two to the Evangel to-day. Gastonia is going over the top for Jesus. We have a band of saints here that are standing four-square for the Church of God, and the dear Lord sure has set His approval on the work. We have been without a church for some time, but praise the Lord we have a new one to go into this week, and we do thank the Lord for it. We have a good Sunday school here and we are all well pleased with our pastor, Brother Snyder. He is standing by the work and doing all that he can for God, and the church. He is preaching the Word with great power; it sure is food to our souls. Some are getting saved and sanctified and some are getting healed by the mighty power of God. I feel encouraged this morning to press on for divine healing; it is as real as heaven to me.

We are planning to have a revival in a few weeks, and all who read this, pray that many souls may be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me that I may stay in the center of God's will. We read in His Word where it says, "that it isn't every one that says Lord! Lord! shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven, and I want to do what the Lord will have me to do, and make heaven my home.—Mrs. H. J. Glenn, 208 South Ramsome St.

GOOD REVIVAL AT PRATT CITY, ALA.

A revival meeting closed here at Pratt City, Ala., May 31, that had been going on for the last seventeen nights conducted by E. L. Simmons. The people of Pratt City hardly know how to express themselves in regard to the meeting; to say it was grand seems to be putting it in too small; well, to say the least of it, it was fine.

Brother Simmons did some wonderful preaching. His sermons will linger long in our memory, he did lasting good; it will take eternity alone to reveal the good that was done. We became so attached to Bro. Simmons that we hated to see him leave.

The fair minded people of the Birmingham district came to the meeting and seemed to enjoy it; we also had visiting ministers of other denominations to come who expressed themselves to have enjoyed the meeting.

The Ku Klux Klan also gave us an official visit with a small donation, which was highly appreciated by the members of the church. They also rendered valuable service in helping to keep order during the services, which were attended by extremely large crowds.

It seemed that everyone enjoyed the meetings. While Bro. Simmons was preaching the Roy E. Blackwood, Pastor.

MARVELOUS CASE OF HEALING

EAST GASTONIA, N. C.—It affords me great pleasure to testify through the Evangel and tell thousands of people about a wonderful case of healing. Surely we can say the power of God is just the same to-day as when the eyes of the blind were opened, and the deaf ears unstopped, and when He healed all that were sick. We can say that we are serving the same God, bless His wonderful name. Several weeks before the Assembly I became sick with a throat trouble which was very severe. I was in a condition I could hardly speak for weeks. Some who saw my throat said it was diphtheria. Of course I didn't know what the case was, but I knew the Lord in whom I trusted could heal. Finally was able to be up and attended Assembly, but after I made the trip, became worse.

I had the Assembly to pray for me and at times I would feel a great deal better, but finally grew worse and wasn't able to make the trip home for several days after the Assembly. Just here I want to thank Brother and Sister Chambers for their hospitality they extended to me while I was there. I never will forget them for their kindness to me. When I arrived home was not able to sit up. For three months I was helpless, my fingers were drawn shut, I could not use my hands at all. My feet were paralyzed. I would sit in one position until some one would come and move me. My eyes became weak. I could not see to read. At times I would get hungry to read the Word of God but my eyes would fail me.

I still trusted in Jehovah for I knew He was able to deliver. Some of the people insisted on calling a physician, but I would tell them that my trust was in the Lord. Some have told me since my recovery that they left the room thinking I would be dead the next time they came back, but for some purpose, I am here to-day for a witness.

The people in this country are convinced of the healing power of God. Some say they know it was the power of God for I didn't have a doctor. The people came in and saw me absolutely helpless, I could not walk a step, and now I am doing as much work as I ever did. It seems almost impossible. Oh, how I thank God for His love and power. I have more faith in Him than ever before. I know He can carry us through.—Pearl Auten.

whole congregation would sit spell-bound. Many came to the altar and prayed their way through to the Lord. There were about eight saved, 4 sanctified and two reclaimed.

We feel that we are gaining ground at Pratt City. Please pray that God will bless us in our next meeting which we expect to have in September.—Pearl Auten.

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There Are Some Things That
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Other Things Certain and
We Must Meet Them

E. M. Ellis

Overseer of So. Carolina.
I have just been thinking of how this old world is drifting away from the laws, and commandments of God. It makes me shudder to think that some of God's people will forsake His ways, and seek after the pleasures of life. There are some things that are uncertain, and will not do to depend upon, while there are others that are certain and we must meet them. If we are not prepared, we will just come up lacking.

There are many things that are uncertain, but we wish to notice a few in particular.

First. Beauty. This is something the world (especially the young) is clamoring after. Now, it is alright for God's people to try to look nice and neat, but the ungodly things that are being used to beautify a person in these days are an abomination in the eyes of the Lord. "Seek beauty," and what is it after you get it? Read Psalms 39:11, "When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is vanity. Selah."

If it makes your beauty consume away like a moth for man to correct you for iniquity, how much more when you come before the great God of heaven and earth with His eyes of fire piercing through your very being? May the Lord help each and every one of us to be meek that He may beautify us with His salvation.

Second. Men's promises. This is one thing that is making it so hard for the honest man in this world to-day. So many will promise to do this and that, yet they do nothing but promise, and break their promises until those who wish to do the right thing find it a difficult task to gain the confidence of those who have been betrayed. Sometimes men of understanding fall and go to ruin, then we hear some one say, "well, brother so and so has backslidden, I'd just as well quit listening to the Bible."

"Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help." Ps. 146:3. Thank God we don't have to trust in man; men may fall and go back on God. It is true according to His Word that many will, but I am glad that we can hold on to God's unchanging hand and go through.

Third. Earthly glory. So many are seeking after earthly glory, but I hear Peter say, "All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away." 1 Pet. 1:24. Why should we seek to please men? Man can only go so far and then he has to stand aside and see his friend grapple with the mighty monster, death, then on to meet His God. Let us live to glorify God, that we may behold the glory of His face and be with Him where He is.

He says in Psalms 50:15, "Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me."

We should live to glorify him, not only in word but in deed and in truth. All that we do should be done to the glory of God; so the glory of man lasts only through this life and then fadeth away, but the glory of God is eternal. Let us seek to please God.

There are many other things that are uncertain in this life, but we wish to notice a few sobering certainties that face the unrepentant sinner: There is a certainty of exposure. So many people are trying to hide their crooked lives in this world, but we find in Numbers 32:23, "And be sure your sin will find you out." All you have to do to see this fulfilled is to know of some one who is trying to hide his meanness and see him exposed. All you have to do to realize it is to try to corner up and hide your own crookedness. So many have looked at others who committed crimes and

then be caught and the same thing proven up on them, and then say that I believe I could have gotten by without being caught up with, but they never stop to think the hand of God is working. God has said in His Word, and it is true, the safe thing to do is to confess to God and have your sins cancelled by the blood of Jesus for they will find you out sure.

You may get by for a while or even go through this life with out being exposed, but you will meet it at the Judgment for we read in Eccl. 12:14, "For God shall bring every work into judgment with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil."

Again there is a certainty of banishment from the divine presence. In 2 Tim. 1:9, you find these words—"Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power. Paul is here speaking of those who will not obey God and refuse to be saved. So you see (poor sinner) what awaits you? These things are certain and these things are facing the sinner of to-day. There is but one way of escape, that is to obtain this wonderful salvation, for the Book says, "How shall we escape it if we neglect so great a salvation." Now, let us notice a few comforting certainties that encourage the believers.

First. Sure Promises. Turn to 1 Kings 8:56 and read. "Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there has not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant."

Now, this is encouraging to believers of to-day, for we find where He says, "He is the same yesterday, today and forever." We are His children and he will keep His promises to them, thank God I prefer living in this realm.

Second. Sure Reward. There is a sure reward to God's people, no matter how small the task. We find some to-day that want to sit down and do nothing because they say they can't do anything. We can do as much as give a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple and He said, we would in no wise lose our reward. Read Matt. 10:42.

Third. There is a certainty of Divine Love. I am glad we can have this in spite of the Devil and all his slimy imps. Read Romans 8:38, 39. Though your friends work against you, they can't separate you from the love of God that is within you, tho you die. That love will stay with you. Yes through all things present and all things to come. He says nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God. Then let us smile at Satan's rage, and face the frowning world with the love of God bubbling out of our soul every hour of life. I feel it now don't you? I would like to stop here but I feel that there is one that is:

"Eternal Anchorage." Heb. 6:19, "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil." Speaking of hope He says, "It is an anchor of the soul." As long as we stay anchored in Jesus, we have nothing to fear. It has been said that, "hope is the telescope of the soul," so when you are in despair, take up the telescope, (Hope) and begin to look through. As you begin to view the beauties and grandeur of heaven, strength, grace and glory will settle down upon you so that you can move on with greater courage and victory than ever before.

With all the discouragements, disappointments and uncertainties of life, I am glad there are some things that are certain. Cheer up dear saints let's hold on to the "Rock of Eternal Ages," until Jesus says that it is enough.

VICTORY ON THE ISLANDS

Dear Evangel readers:—I am glad to report victory this evening over sin and the devil. We are getting along fine and the Lord is blessing on the islands. We thank the dear Lord for Brother and Sister E. E. Simmons. Brother Simmons is not well, but we are trusting the Lord for his healing. Please pray that God will continue to bless on the islands.—Eydne A. Robertson, Jamaica, B. W. I.

Echoes From Wimauma, Fla. State Camp Meeting

Largest Attendance, Sweeping Victory, Greater
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Nannie Ruth Hagewood

Continued from last issue
Thursday, 11:00 p. m. Message by Bro. Jno. L. Stephens. Reading, Dan. 6. Text, Matt. 23:12. "And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." The main thought was, Learn to be our best where we are God will attend to the exalting. He stated this was a very dangerous spirit. Especially among our ministers, and that the ministry needs humbling down that we may receive the gifts in the churches. Truly the greatest need of to-day is godliness. Godliness with contentment is great gain.

3:00 p. m. Song, When They Ring the Golden Bells. Sermon by Bro. Guss Scott of Melrose, Ga. He said it was told that Methodist preachers like chicken; the Baptist preachers, beef; but said holiness preachers like the victory and he had the victory. He would rather have it if he had to go hungry.

6:00 p. m. Baptismal service. Some were going away the next day, so despite the fact that the rain was coming down, a good little crowd was gathered at the edge of the beautiful lake just across the road from the tabernacle and seventeen went down "into" the water, not close by or near to, in the old-time Bible way, and came up rejoicing.

9:00 p. m. A sacred time in which the Holy Ghost speaks out and gives messages, saying, "I am glad I have a few children who will stay humble. I am going to bring thee out. I would have worked in a greater way, but my work has been hindered many times. My people have been scattered abroad, but I'm bringing them together. I'll smile upon thee in a greater way for this is where I've chosen to place my name! Message given by Bro. D. Tidwell, of Jacksonville. Theme, The Seven Mysteries. Text, It is Given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom. The parable of the sower was drawn on, stating that individuals were sowers. And we are also represented as cedars of Lebanon.

Friday, June 12. 11:00 a. m. Bro. Hicks bring message. Writer absent on this occasion, but many said he brought forth a soul-stirring message which will enable all present to be more alert concerning the snares and pitfalls of Satan.

3:00 p. m. Message by S. A. Keen, giving quite a prelude concerning how happy he was to get back to Florida and be able to see some palms and palmettoes. But we were made to wonder if he wouldn't be still happier to get back to Tennessee to get one more drink of good water. Text from Tim. 6 and 12. Subject, Conflict and Battle. Fight for what? Neh. 4:14. "For your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives and your houses." As long as Israel fought for their Master's house, they had victory. To-day the Master's house is suffering violence and souls are going to hell. Fight, fight brethren. Some like to sit while others do the fighting. Is it you?

9:00 p. m. Singing and music. Testimony service which got going and could hardly stop it. Message by H. B. Simmons. He stated, Every little bit you get, added to what you have makes a little bit more. He thought it was time to leave the ninety and nine and go after the lost one. Lesson Luke 14. Brought forth a wonderful message showing the frivolous and flimsy excuses of those who were bidden to the supper. Yet they were better than some people offer to-day.

Saturday, June 13. A very interesting and instructive message by Bro. Self from his chart. Starting in Genesis at the beginning of creation. Bringing a little joy to our hearts as he let up on the women a while and stated that Adam, supposed to be the stronger vessel, did not put up any argument at all when Eve offered him the fruit. She did try to resist. Men like

to say women are the weaker vessel in most instances, and are supposed to be; but this is one instance that we have her portrayed as the stronger. He came on down to where the dragon was put in the pit. Thank God. Last and best, The white city, with all trouble past evil gone and the devil bound. A wonderful thought.

3:00 p. m. Brother Austin comes on the scene. We failed to get the start of his sermon, but his subject was, "God talking to Moses." And this we do know, was full of power and from all appearance was enjoyed by all. God is still talking to-day through the Spirit. He said if we keep in perfect accord we should be able to take the heavenly aeroplane joyride. The law of Uncle Sam is that no one is supposed to go up in an aeroplane without first having the heart tested. We must have our hearts right for they will be tested at that day. And if we have palpitation of the heart we can't go, and spasmodic religion, won't go.

Saturday, 8:00 p. m. at this juncture of the meeting 19 former Bible School students of Cleveland, Tenn., marched in, taking their places on the rostrum. Each one speaking in turn of the benefits derived from the school and the necessity of any and all workers attending. Either personal, Sunday school workers or preachers. Special songs and stringed music with piano.

9:30. Orphanage program. Recitations, orphanage songs, talks by Sister Hattie Chambers. Sister Atwell, Bro. Llewellyn and writer. Then collection for orphans. At this and other times during the camp meeting amounted to over four hundred dollars.

Sunday, June 14. Talks by Bro. Self and Bro. Llewellyn; concerning enlarging our borders. Bro. Llewellyn spoke on a greater outlook for the Lord and the church. God is calling to-day and it is going to mean giving up and surrendering to a greater extent; cut the shore lines and launch out into the deep. He stated that co-operation is the thing needed from Headquarters down to the laity, and then God will direct the fish into the net. If we go with the right kind of bait at the right time they will bite. After this an opportunity was given for cash offerings and subscriptions for the new tabernacle, which amounted to approximately three thousand dollars.

3:00 p. m. Message by writer. 4:00 p. m. Baptismal service again.

8:00 p. m. Music by band and singing. An opportunity was given for people to become members of the church. However the majority of the people were advised to become members of the local churches nearest them.

An offering for general expenses. Message by Bro. Llewellyn. Subject, "Fever or Fervor, Which?" Text, Mark 1:30-32. "But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever; and anon they tell him of her. And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them." He said not long since his mind had been attracted by this subject, Fever or Fervor, Which? We can have which we will. Fervor comes from the fact that the Lord healed her; and she arose and ministered unto them. The thought of fever was that this world is in a fever to succeed, to come out over and above others. Not the real, sincere Holy Ghost zeal and fire. In the great World war, many who volunteered went with greater fervor to triumph over someone else rather than fighting for peace. Even now the world is in an awful condition, but we shall not be frightened for this is one of the signs of the last days. We now look a moment at the Ecclesiastical fever pre-

vailing in the world to send missionaries, highly paid choirs, etc. What is it all for? To build up "my" church. Multiplied thousands of dollars being spent on fine church buildings, when at the same time the congregation is dwindling away; and one building would hold all that go to the different ones. If this was used to send missionaries and evangelists burning with holy fervor, many perishing souls would be rescued. God wants to put this holy fervor in our hearts until we can rise up and minister unto others. Fervor means boiling. If we keep boiling we will boil over all the scum and purify all microbes. You can have the heavenly fervor or the world fever. If you accept the fever you find yourself in a luke-warm condition, spiritually. And He said I will spew thee out of my mouth. God help us to get the holy fervor and set things afire all over the world.

A strange, sad feeling came over us, as we began to feel the hour of parting drawing near. We wondered how many changes might take place by this time next year, how many might slip away and go to heaven, how many might backslide and fall the Lord, saddest still, how many might go away unsaved and lift their fruitless cries in torment. "Too late, too late." We hope each one will make good every opportunity, stand true to the Lord and do good unto all men. God bless one and all.

TO THE CHURCH OF GOD PEOPLE IN NORTH GA.

DALTON, Ga.—I am a North Georgia boy and am interested in Georgia. I have some friends here that I love. I feel like there is some real good Church of God material in North Georgia, but feel impressed to write a few words in regard to where we are failing the dear Lord and His church.

I know some places where they want a good preacher to come and preach the gospel and want the State Overseer to pay them a visit and want to be regarded as Church of God people, and glad that they do, but friends I have often thought why the dear people of North Georgia did not come to the front more for the Church of God and its cause. I am persuaded to believe the fault lies in us. We say that we love the Church and are standing four-square for the Church and its teachings. I can hardly believe

we do unless we are loyal to those who are over us in the Lord, and pay our tithes and offerings.

We shout when some preachers preach the Church of God. But dear friends, I believe we would shout more and people would enjoy it better if we would give God His dues. I also believe the folks at Headquarters would decide that we are sure enough Church of God material, and the Overseer would come oftener; also some of the best preachers would visit us if we prove we love the cause by mixing a little green back with our testimonies, then it would ring so people could hear it.

I know one place where one man who was a poor man had a wife and children, he had to go some little distance to his church. The folks did not as much as pay his fare on the train, say nothing of the tithes, then they will write to Headquarters and say that they are standing four-square for the Church of God teachings. This man had to take his wife's produce money to pay his fare. Well he could not go as often as the folks thought he should, so they send a complaint to the State Overseer that they wanted a preacher that would preach to them. Dear ones, let us wake up to our responsibility and practice what we preach, then we will have good meetings; souls will get saved; the sick will be healed; the windows of heaven will be opened and North Georgia will come to the front. We then will have some of the best preachers for our pastors. With love to all. Pray for me.—J. B. Weeks.

NEW CHURCH—38 MEMBERS

Brother E. C. Clark reports a revival at Shegon, W. Va., as follows: "For three weeks God wonderfully poured out His Spirit upon the people. About 40 were saved, 35 sanctified, about 30 received the Holy Ghost, baptized 28 in water and received 26 into the church. This church is just one month old and now has 38 members with more to follow and great interest. We closed the meeting with the altar full of seekers.

Among this number to receive the Holy Ghost was a Baptist minister, who has been preaching for 22 years and a good preacher. We thank God for him. I was the evangelist in charge of this meeting. To God be all the praise for His goodness to us."

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A New Field—Many Hungry For the Gospel.

On the 8th of April we went to White Cloud, Mich., which is 200 miles above Detroit, and just a few miles from Lake Michigan, and started a meeting in a hall that a few people who were interested there had rented ahead of time especially for this meeting.

We battled against the enemy for three weeks alone, except for two nights that Bro. Chas. Cook and some of his folks from the Sebewa Church, near Lake Odessa were with us. This looked like a hopeless case, as up to this time not a soul had been saved and the crowds were very small. (Although many stood outside and listened) But at the end of three weeks of hard fighting Bro. Cook came back and brought Bro. Robt. Merrifield with him. About this time I had to go to Detroit for a few days, and when I returned the hall was filled with people and a number had already been saved.

The meeting continued another three weeks with the interest steadily increasing. There were 12 or 14 saved and seven were baptized in White River.

During the last few days of the meeting the hall was crowded every night, and many stood outside that could not get a seat inside.

When we first started this meeting the few that did come would come dragging in after time to start the meeting; but near the last some would be standing around an hour or two before time to start, waiting for the door to be opened.

God gave us favor with some of the best people of the town, and they are anxiously awaiting the time when we can return to run another meeting.

We did not try to set a church in order, but kept the hall rented and Bro. Robt. Merrifield is in charge of the work, and will go up and preach to them as often as he can. They are also having prayer meeting twice a week.

This is one of the ripest fields I ever saw and no doubt there could have been a good church established there if we could have stayed a few more weeks, as the revival seemed to be just started when we had to close to get ready for the State Convention.

There are many other places in this State where the people are hungry for the gospel, if we only had preachers and workers to go.

I understand this place had the name of being one of the hardest places in the State. Some say this was the second revival that has been in the town for twenty years.—M. P. Cross.

TEXAS COMING TO THE FRONT

LANNIUS, Texas.—I want to praise God this evening through the Evangel for what He has done for me. I am so glad that He knocked at my heart. Oh, how I do praise Him ten thousand times. He is worthy of more praises than we give him. A Saviour who came to this world and hung on the rugged cross that we might be sanctified, and as He left on the clouds of glory, He promised us this great salvation, which we are enjoying to-day. Boys and girls, how can we ever throw such a Saviour aside and wound Him again.

Of course there are some like Gideon's bunch, but I praise God for some true-blue saints at Lannius that won't compromise with old Satan one bit. When we get into trouble we should think of the children of Israel, when Pharaoh with all of His host were behind them. They were surrounded by the mountains and the red sea, but praise the Lord they were following a captain that has never lost a battle as long as we carry out His orders.

We need some more Daniels who are not afraid to trust God. I imagine the happiest moments of his life was when he was in the lion's den and looked up into

THE LORD BLESSING IN ARKANSAS

TYRONZA, Ark.—I feel impressed to write a few lines to the dear paper, the Church of God Evangel which I love so well. Well praise the dear Lord, I am glad that I can report victory this afternoon over sin and the devil. Well, glory! I am glad that I can say that I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and a member of the dear old Church of God, praise the Lord forever!

Dear ones about three years ago the Lord wonderfully saved me, about six months later he sanctified my soul and baptized me with the Holy Ghost, and I thank the Lord for He said the Holy Ghost would lead us in all truth and right, and I thank the Lord because He has been my leader and I expect to let Him lead me on as long as I live by His help. We sure do thank the Lord for our State Overseer, Brother J. M. Viney. He certainly is a man of God, and is loved by everybody here.

On Mother's Day we had services here in our home and we estimated the crowd to be two hundred and fifty people. We had dinner on the ground and had nine singing classes from over near Harrisburg, Ark. They sure did make some beautiful music.

We are expecting Brother Viney here to-night and we are looking for the Lord to do great things here this summer. We are also expecting Brother D. R. Moreland to be here. Anyone feeling led of the Lord to come here, we sure will do our best to make you feel welcome.

All who read this please pray that we will live the life so people that are in sin will see that we are living for God.—W. D. Lillard.

A WONDERFUL TIME AT THE RAVENNA MEETING

As the report of this meeting has been given in full will add only a few lines. Praise God. We sure appreciate the privilege we had of being at Ravenna with the dear saints. They are among the most humble band of saints we ever met. We enjoyed the fellowship of Brother Muncy, the pastor. Several were healed of different diseases. Brother Rouse laid his hands on them and prayed and they were healed.

One sister said if she could just see Brother Rouse she believed she would be healed, so she came forward to be prayed for and before she got to him she was healed.

One of the brothers healed of deafness had been deaf in one ear 25 years, and the other one had never heard out of one ear. The Lord wonderfully blessed all through the meeting. Praise His dear name. We left the saints encouraged.—S. J. Hammond.

the starry heavens and saw two angels coming to his rescue.

Many of us say that we are trusting the Lord, but when the trials come we compromise with the enemy. I know the Devil hates the Holy Ghost above everything in this world. It is the overcoming power, thank God.

This gospel is spreading in the Lone Star State. The fire is burning on the western plains. How I do praise God for Texas. She is coming to the front. We should not be discouraged but think of the three in the fiery furnace. Praise God, He said He would never leave nor forsake us, but would go with us even to the end of the earth. Some of us get our eyes off of our dear Saviour, then the enemy walks in on us. We should have Caleb and Joshua as examples, and take Jesus as our captain, asking Him for more grace, more faith, more determination. We need more of God for we are entering into tribulations. Boys and girls, we need to get busy. Hallelujah! There are thousands of souls going out to meet Him every day unprepared. There are thousands who have never heard this great gospel, and to think of the love and joy and peace that are hid from them by the enemy. Pray for me that I may be a soul winner for the Lord.—John Cobb.

AT RAVENNA, THE LAME WALK, THE DEAF HEAR; OTHERS HEALED OF DIVERS DISEASES.

J. A. Muncy

RAVENNA, Ky.—While meditating upon the goodness of God toward the children of men, I wish to sound a note of praise to His name for what He is doing for us at Ravenna, Ky.

At the close of our State Assembly which was held here this year, Brother L. G. Rouse stayed for a revival. The Lord blessed right from the beginning, as the altar was full of seekers to start with. Brother Rouse did not deviate from the old course of preaching the Word under which the church at Ravenna has been begotten, and many others believed and fell into the altar and prayed through.

There were about ten or twelve who professed to be saved and sanctified and eight received the Holy Ghost and some others reclaimed and all blessed. The Lord wonderfully blessed in the healing services. Two brothers who were deaf in one ear are now praising the Lord for hearing, while several others were healed of divers diseases, including one very old sister who had not walked for a long time, and had to be carried to church, but now she comes walking.

I feel sure that when the Church of God generally begins to covet the gifts of the Spirit as Brother Rouse covets the gift of healing that many more signs and wonders will be wrought in the name of the Holy Child Jesus. There seems to be a settled satisfaction upon the minds and hearts of the people of God to-day and also thousands of outsiders, that this is the Church of God, and that the Lord has blessed and is blessing to-day, but dear reader, it is not time for us to begin in a spiritual way to strengthen our stakes and lengthen our cords for greater things ahead. The Lord is wonderfully blessing in a natural way and bringing us more and more in favor with the people as a church, but unless we consecrate and go deeper and deeper with the Lord in contending for the faith which was once delivered to the saints these natural blessings will be to our hurt and ruin.

And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and conforming the word with signs following. Mark 16:20. Is not our only hope in the Lord? Were we not lost and without hope in sin when the Saviour found us and washed us with His blood?

Then what hope can we have for our gospel in this sin-cursed and doubting generation unless God will confirm and strengthen it with signs following? We have the experience and record of many other orders to behold for our good.

Brother Hammonds and wife, of West Virginia, joined Brother Rouse at Ravenna and rendered a great service with the accordion and other music. Sister Hammonds received the Holy Ghost here and went on her way rejoicing.

Any community or church wanting the true gospel and standard of clean saintly living cannot miss by getting Brother Rouse and his band of helpers for a meeting.

CORRECTION

In the orphanage report in Evangel June 20, the \$2.00 credited to Glover Ledford of Hayesville, N. C., was sent by unknown friend.

SPECIAL REQUEST FOR PRAYER

VERBENA, Ala.—I want a few words in your paper to express myself. I am a child of God, saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and have been trusting God for soul and body about three years. I am being tried now with a stomach trouble. I want to ask the prayers of the children of God through the Evangel that if God has anything for me to do that He will heal me. Nevertheless His will be done. Pray that God will get glory out of my life regardless of the cost or suffering.—Mrs. Polly Mitchell.

Tent Meeting In Kentucky

WALLINS, Ky.—I want to sound a note of praise for the way the Lord is blessing us here.

We have just closed a ten days' meeting at Wallins, Ky., which was a wonderful victory for the Church of God in that place. It was the first time the Church of God had been preached in Wallins. We erected a large tent and began a meeting May 20, with a good crowd present, and on the 23, Brother T. S. Payne arrived and took charge of the preaching service. He was at his best and truly did some wonderful preaching, using for his text that night Psalms 51:10. It made those who were present desire a deeper experience with the Lord, as he showed how David prayed for a clean heart, and then wanted a right spirit renewed within him.

Sunday morning he preached at the church at Twila. Bro. Newton, pastor at Ages was present with several of his people. Brother Payne used as his text Psalms 119:1. It was food for our souls as he showed how necessary it was to keep ourselves undefiled and walk in the law of the Lord.

Sunday night we returned to the tent and listened to another wonderful discourse from Matt. 28:19. Monday night was a blessed service with the cheering presence of Brother B. H. Nix, pastor at Harlan to help in the singing and do all that he could to help in the meeting. Brother Payne again held the audience spell-bound as he brought the message from Matt. 22:14.

Tuesday was a real soul-feasting time as we listened to the wonderful message from Ex. 32:26.

Wednesday night was a wonderful success, many people said they had never seen it on this fashion as the message was delivered under the mighty power and presence of the Holy Ghost.

Thursday night Brother Payne took for his text Phil. 3:16. While this place has many non-government people many were made to admit that it was scriptural to have rules.

Friday night was a very rainy night yet several gathered out for services, but on the account of the rain and cold we dismissed.

Saturday night Brother Payne delivered a wonderful message from Phil. 3:17. He made it clear to the minds of the people that it was necessary to have leaders.

Sunday morning service was announced for 11 o'clock, but at an early hour the people began to gather from the East, West, North and South. Quite a number were present from the Harlan and Ages churches. Some drove twelve and fifteen miles on farm wagons to service. This was Brother Payne's last service with us and he had already announced that he would preach on the church; his text was Eph. 5:32. This was a climax of the preaching, it was a foretaste of the General Assembly, as we listened to the wonderful sermon and heard amens from all parts of the large tent.

Our State Overseer, Brother G. A. Fore, brought the meeting to a close Sunday night with a blessed message from Daniel's Seventy weeks. This was an inspiration to the saints as he showed how that we who live true and humble will miss the tribulation.

We had this meeting for the purpose of getting the doctrine preached in Wallins as the Church of God has many opposers there. We truly accomplished what we wanted. Many who were enemies to the church are now friends to it. Eternity alone will reveal the good that was done in this meeting.

We are expecting Brother Payne to give us a ten days' Bible School this summer. I speak the sentiment of this church when we give him a hearty welcome to come to Twila, Ky.—F. R. Harrawood, Pastor.

CHURCH RISING AND SHINING

SUMMITT, Ga.—I want to add my testimony to the Evangel, the paper that I like to read. It is real food to my soul.

The Lord wonderfully saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost last July, 1924. I am a little girl 14 years old. I thank the Lord in Jesus' name for this wonderful experience.

I also thank God for His healing power. I thank God because I haven't taken any medicine since I received the Holy Ghost. It is not because I haven't been sick that I haven't taken any medicine, it is because I call upon the Lord and He heals me.

I thank the Lord because our church is rising and shining here at this place. I want everybody to pray for me that I may be at the foot of the cross doing just what the Lord would have me to do until He comes or calls. Your sister in Christ.—(Miss) Maxie McNear.

PRAYER POEM

W. R. Dickens, E. Gadsen, Ala. "Help me dear Lord thy Word to obey.

Walk in thy footsteps every day. Grant that I ever may walk in thy light, Disdaining the wrong and doing the right.

May I ever be thine, soul and body complete, And ever be humble at thy blessed feet: My goodness is thine, I have none of my own, Except as it comes from thy heavenly throne.

My enemies dear Lord I freely forgive, Grant in thy sight they ever may live.

In thee, dear Lord I ever shall trust, Knowing that this body shall return to dust.

Take me dear Lord claim me as thy own, Walk with me dear Lord that I walk not alone. Though dangers surround me, I shall never fear, While God is my keeper and Jesus is near.

In adversity and in trouble, Lord help me to stand, Out on the promises and at thy command.

I thank thee, dear Lord for the Bible thou hast given. A guide to our pathway, directing us to heaven.

Its pages are holy; its teachings are divine; Its treasures of truth in its brightness doth shine. Hasten dear Lord thy Kingdom may come; Thy will on earth as in heaven be done.

GOOD MEETINGS IN WEST VIRGINIA

WILCOE, W. Va.—119 Psalm, Blessed are the undefiled in the way who walk in the laws of the Lord.

I want to sound a note of praise through the little Evangel. I am so glad that God ever saw fit to pick me up out of the miry clay of sin and saved, sanctify and fill me with the precious Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues, as in Acts 2:4. Praise the dear Lord, we are having some good meetings in the State of West Virginia, although the devil is working hard to defeat us.

We have had our pastor, Bro. O. W. Thomas, and wife with us. He sure did give out the Word with power. There are some true-blue Church of God saints at this place, and we are just praising God for it. We have a good Sunday school with about 47 enrolled. I will ask everyone who reads this to pray for me and my family that we will ever stay humble at Jesus' feet where He can get the glory out of our lives.—John Warf.

HEALED OF CANCER OF THE THROAT

WELLSTON, Ohio.—We are still praising God to-day for His wonderful power and for the way that He is blessing us here. He sure is verifying His word by signs following. Last Sunday while the power was falling at the church and the saints were dancing and talking in tongues and having a good time there came a runner saying one of the sisters that lived about a mile away was dying, and I, with husband and others went over and prayed for her and the Lord instantly healed her; it was wonderful. The doctor said she had cancer of the throat. Her throat was swollen so she could not even swallow water or lay down, but as we laid hands on her in the name of Jesus, you could see the swelling leaving her. The power struck her and she shouted about half an hour and could talk as good as ever and ate a hearty supper. Well, we have a fine bunch of saints here at Wellston and how they do love each other. Pray for us at this place.—Mary V. Caudill.

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